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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
11 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
12 OAKLAND DIVISION

13 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)

Case No.

CR08-0057

14 Plaintiff,)

15 v.)

16 ANGEL OROPEZA,)
(a/k/a Jose Gamboa)

17 Defendant.)

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19 DECLARATION OF MAUREEN
20 BESSETTE IN SUPPORT OF UNITED
21 STATES' MOTION FOR SUMMONS

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22 I, Maureen Bessette, hereby declare as follows:

23 1. I am an Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney's Office assigned
24 to the prosecution of this case. I have received the following information from agents employed
25 by the Department of State Diplomatic Security Service (DSS) and from reports and other
26 documents provided to me by the DSS.27 2. On August 28, 2006, a United States Passport was issued to a person purporting to be
28 Jose Gamboa. In applying for the passport, the applicant presented a State of California birth
certificate for Jose Gamboa.29 3. Following a computer cross-match, DSS Agents Jeff Dubsick and Jessy Alexander
interviewed Angel Oropeza at his home in a meeting arranged by the Oropeza's sister. During

1 the interview, Oropeza confessed to using the birth certificate of his deceased brother-in-law
2 once removed to apply for and obtain the passport. He knew that the real Jose Gamboa had died
3 as an infant in 1985. He admitted that his true name was Angel Oropeza and his true date of
4 birth was March 24, 1969. All of his family members are American citizens and he has applied
5 for citizenship through his brother. He used the passport once in October 2006 to handle the
6 affairs of his now deceased father in Mexico.

7 4. Oropeza was in possession of the passport, birth certificate, and the Social Security card
8 for Jose Gamboa. He provided all of these items to the agents and they were seized as evidence.

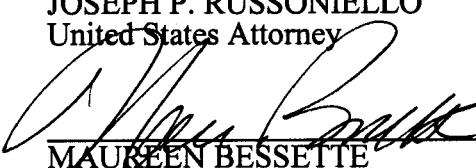
9 5. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my
10 knowledge and belief.

11 Executed January 30, 2008 at Oakland, California.

12 DATED: 1/31/08

13 Respectfully submitted,

14 JOSEPH P. RUSSONIELLO
15 United States Attorney

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